

Chapter 1 - Social Security: The Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) Programs

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Social Security Disability Insurance: Number of Beneficiaries

TABLE 1-7--DISABLED WORKERS' APPLICATIONS,
AWARDS, AWARDS AS A PERCENT OF APPLICATIONS,
AND AWARDS PER 1,000 INSURED WORKERS,
SELECTED CALENDAR YEARS 1965-2010
[NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND NUMBER OF AWARDS IN THOUSANDS]

Calendar year	Number of applications	Number of awards	Awards as a percent of applications	Awards per 1,000 insured workers
1965	529.3	253.5	47.9	4.7
1970	869.8	350.4	40.3	4.8
1975	1,285.3	592.0	46.1	7.0
1980	1,262.3	420.3	33.3	4.3
1985	1,066.2	416.1	39.0	3.9
1990	1,067.7	472.1	44.2	4.0
1995	1,338.1	645.6	48.3	5.2
2000	1,330.6	621.3	46.7	4.6
2001	1,498.6	690.5	46.1	5.0
2002	1,682.5	750.0	44.6	5.4
2003	1,895.5	777.5	41.0	5.5
2004	2,137.5	795.8	37.2	5.6
2005	2,122.1	829.7	39.1	5.8
2006	2,134.1	803.8	37.7	5.5
2007	2,190.2	818.5	37.4	5.6
2008	2,320.4	890.4	38.4	6.0
2009	2,816.2	987.6	35.1	6.6
2010	2,935.8	1,049.3	35.7	7.0

Note: These figures are subject to revision.

Source: Social Security Administration data available online at <http://www.ssa.gov/oact/STATS/table6c7.html>.

**TABLE 1-8--PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE AND SEX OF
TITLE II DISABLED WORKER BENEFICIARIES AWARDED
BENEFITS IN SELECTED CALENDAR YEARS 1970-2009**

<i>All Disabled Workers</i> ^a	Year awarded benefits											
	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Under 30	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.4	6.4	6.2	7.9	8.1	8.2
30-34	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	4.9	4.6	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.5
35-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	8.4	6.6	6.4	6.9	6.7	6.6
40-44	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	11.5	10.2	9.8	10.3	9.9	9.5
45-49	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	13.1	13.4	13.6	13.5	13.4	13.3
50-54	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	18.1	18.4	18.9	18.8	19.2	19.7
55-59	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	21.3	23.1	23.4	22.9	22.6	22.8
60-61	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	8.7	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.7	8.6
62-FRA	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.8	8.9	9.1	6.9	6.9	6.8
Average Age	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	48.9	49.5	49.8	48.8	48.8	48.8
<i>Men</i>												
Under 30	6.7	7.7	8.3	8.7	10.9	7.2	6.8	6.6	6.4	8.2	8.4	8.5
30-34 ^b	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	4.6	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.2
35-39	7.6	8.6	9.7	13.3	16.9	16.3	8.3	6.3	6.1	6.4	6.1	6.1
40-44	6.5	6.2	6.0	7.0	9.4	10.7	10.7	9.7	9.2	9.7	9.3	8.9
45-49	10.1	9.5	8.4	9.9	9.5	11.5	12.7	12.9	13.0	12.8	12.7	12.5
50-54	14.7	15.7	14.7	14.6	13.5	15.7	17.6	17.9	18.4	18.3	18.6	19.1
55-59	23.5	23.1	24.6	23.1	20.5	20.4	21.1	23.7	24.0	23.7	23.4	23.6
60-61	12.3	12.1	12.3	12.4	10.3	8.9	9.1	8.9	8.8	8.9	9.5	9.3
62-FRA	18.7	17.1	16.0	10.9	8.9	9.3	9.1	9.6	9.9	7.7	7.8	7.7
Average Age	52.1	51.5	51.2	50.1	48.1	48.9	49.1	49.8	50.1	49.1	49.2	49.2
<i>Women</i>												
Under 30	4.2	6.1	7.4	8.6	8.5	6.4	5.8	6.2	5.9	7.5	7.6	7.8
30-34 ^b	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.2	5.0	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.9
35-39	6.3	7.3	9.7	12.9	16.3	16.7	8.6	7.0	6.8	7.4	7.3	7.1
40-44	6.1	6.1	6.4	8.0	9.8	11.4	12.3	10.7	10.4	11.1	10.7	10.3
45-49	11.0	10.1	9.3	10.6	13.1	13.8	13.5	14.0	14.2	14.4	14.2	14.3
50-54	17.5	17.7	16.3	15.8	14.2	17.2	21.6	19.0	19.4	19.4	19.9	20.4
55-59	27.2	25.5	25.5	23.3	22.3	20.5	21.6	22.3	22.8	22.0	21.7	21.8
60-61	13.0	12.2	11.7	10.1	8.9	7.6	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.8	7.7
62-FRA	14.6	15.0	13.7	10.6	6.9	6.4	6.3	8.0	8.2	5.9	5.9	5.8
Average Age	52.8	52.1	51.1	49.7	48.4	48.5	48.7	49.2	49.5	48.4	48.4	48.4

Notes: Age in year of award from 1960 to 1984; age in month of award after 1984.

Data exclude closed period awards in 2002 and 2003 and expedited reinstatement cases since 2002.

Starting with 2007, age is based on date of entitlement and not date of award. Entitlement can be retroactive and thus precede the date of award.

FRA = full retirement age.

a. Combined data for men and women are not available before 2000.

b. Ages 30-34 were grouped with ages 35-39 before 1996.

Source: Social Security Administration, *2009 Annual Statistical Report on the Social Security Disability Insurance Program*, Table 39, available online at http://ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di_asr/2009/sect03.html#table39.

**TABLE 1-9--PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY DISABLING IMPAIRMENT OF TITLE II
DISABLED WORKER BENEFICIARIES AWARDED BENEFITS
IN SELECTED CALENDAR YEARS 1970-2009**

Diagnostic group	Year awarded benefits											
	1970	1975	1981	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Congenital anomalies	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases	3.8	3.9	4.2	4.5	3.5	5.2	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5
Infectious and parasitic diseases ^a	2.5	1.3	0.7	0.8	4.7	4.3	1.8	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1
Injuries	8.1	5.5	5.9	4.4	4.8	4.3	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.0
Mental disorders												
Total	11.0	11.4	10.3	18.2	22.5	22.9	23.4	24.2	23.2	22.8	22.8	22.3
Retardation ^b	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2.6	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.4
Other	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	20.3	20.6	21.6	20.7	20.5	20.5	19.9
Neoplasms	10.3	10.1	16.0	14.6	14.1	10.0	10.4	10.1	10.3	10.1	9.6	9.3
Diseases of the—												
Blood and blood-forming organs	n.a.	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Circulatory system	31.1	29.9	24.4	19.3	15.7	12.9	12.3	10.9	10.7	10.8	10.5	10.3
Digestive system	2.6	3.0	2.1	1.5	1.6	1.7	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2
Genitourinary system	0.8	1.0	1.8	0.9	2.2	1.9	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.1
Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	14.9	18.7	16.7	13.0	15.9	21.9	25.2	27.6	28.2	29.0	30.0	31.2
Nervous system and sense organs	6.4	6.7	8.1	7.6	8.1	7.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.2
Respiratory system	6.9	6.7	6.1	5.4	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.9
Skin and subcutaneous tissue	n.a.	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Other	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.3	1.6	2.3	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Unknown ^c	n.a.	n.a.	1.9	8.4	n.a.	0.4	0.2	1.1	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0

Notes: Data exclude closed period awards in 2002 and 2003 and expedited reinstatement cases since 2002.

Before 1995, diagnostic data for cases awarded at the appeals levels were estimated on the basis of the diagnosis of cases allowed at the initial disability determination level.

Effective 2001, the Social Security Administration initiated a special review of 130,000 Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients who are potentially eligible for Social Security disability benefits because of earnings while receiving SSI. Many of these claims awarded since 2001 were for individuals under the age of 35 who were diagnosed with a mental disorder.

a. AIDS and HIV records are counted in "Infectious and parasitic diseases." Before 1990, they were included in "Other."

b. Mental retardation was not identified separately before 1995.

c. Beginning with 2002, several ill-defined impairment codes were reclassified and added to "Unknown."

Source: Social Security Administration, *2009 Annual Statistical Report on the Social Security Disability Insurance Program*, Table 40, available online at http://ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/di_asr/2009/sect03.html#table40.